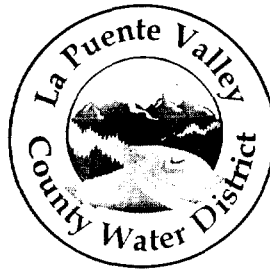


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Ms. Felica Marcus, RA
United States Environmental Protection Agency
75 Hawthorne Street
San Francisco, CA 94105-3901

Dear Ms. Marcus:

The La Puente Valley County Water District hereby requests that the United State Environmental Protection Agency ("EPA") initiate a Unilateral Administrative Order pursuant to Section 7003 of the Resource Conservation and Recovery Act ("RCRA"), 42 U.S.C. Section 6973, to address perchlorate and other rocket fuel constituent contamination that pose an imminent and substantial endangerment to the public health and the environment. These releases have impacted the Main San Gabriel Basin, the District's wellfield located at 1695 Puente Avenue in the City of Baldwin Park and its beneficial use as a drinking water supply and therefore does impose an imminent and substantial endangerment to health and the environment. The Order should require Aerojet Company and its parent company Gencorp to provide replacement water to the La Puente Valley County Water District commencing June 13, 1997 and until the contamination is abated.

The District previously wrote to Mr. Wayne Praskins of your agency on December 13, 1999. Mr. Praskins had indicated during a phone conversation the he would not respond to our letter. The District believes that this water contamination and supply situation is very similar to the Santa Monica MTBE Administrative Order, and that EPA should review the Baldwin Park Operable Unit situation and respond formally to the Districts' request.

Due to the extreme urgency that exists in regards to the District being able to supply uncontaminated water to the public, the District hereby requests an immediate and definitive review of the District's request.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "M. Berlien", with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

Michael J. Berlien
General Manager

Cc: Kenneth Fong, Counsel